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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
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A PRINTER AND METHOD THEREFOR  
ADAPTED TO SENSE DATA  
UNIQUELY ASSOCIATED WITH A  
CONSUMABLE LOADED INTO THE  
PRINTER

Continued Prosecution Application of  
Serial No. 09/334,375

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed January 4, 2001, please  
amend the above-identified application without prejudice as follows.

**In the Claims:**

Please amend the following claims:

1. (Amended) A printer of the type which selectively deposits a  
color marking material onto a receiver to form an image on the receiver, the  
printer being adapted to sense data uniquely associated with a consumable to be  
loaded into the printer, comprising:

(a) a transceiver for transmitting a first electromagnetic field and  
for sensing a second electromagnetic field;

(b) a transponder coupled to said consumable, said transponder  
adapted to receive the first electromagnetic field and generate the second  
electromagnetic field in response to the first electromagnetic field received  
thereby; and